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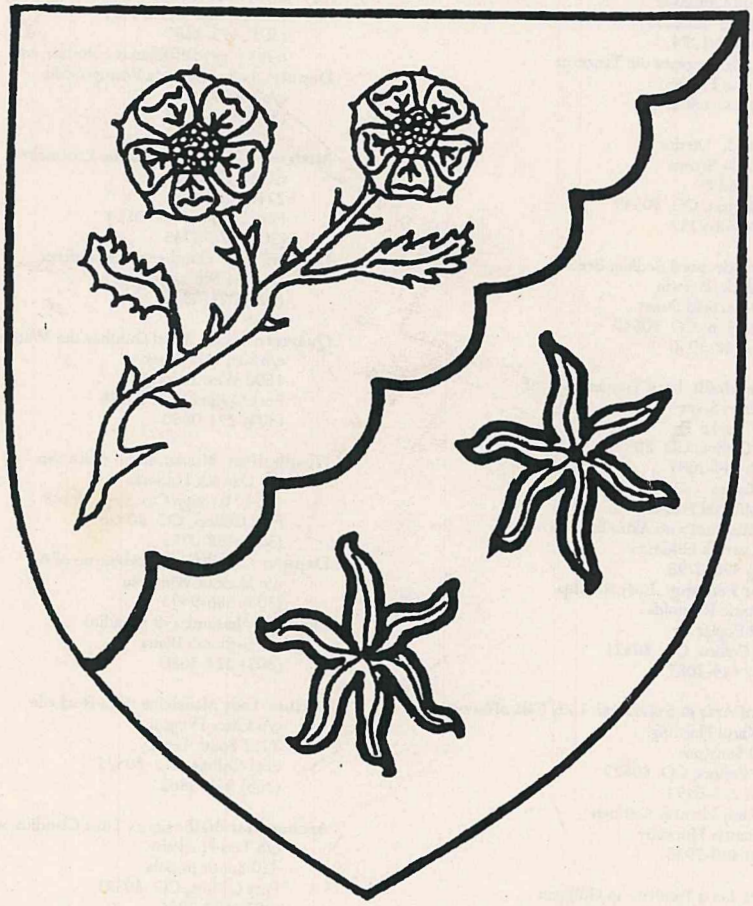

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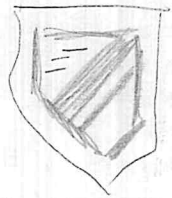

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Calendar of events

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19 - ARCHERY PRACTICE, 12pm - 2PM, Titus (303) 490-2936	23
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8 - Twelfth Night (Caerthe)* Krystyna (303)427-8449	18
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March

5 - Arts & Sciences Collegium (Windkeep) Liobsynde (719) 520-98[illegible]
26 - Viking Games (al-Barran) Susan (505) 246-8849

★- Estrella War is on the horizon. Come and prepare for war.
* - Articles inside The Tosspot

Submission deadline is the 15th of the month for event announcements, articles, and artwork. Officers reports are due at officers meeting unless other arrangements are made beforehand.

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From the Baron

It's now December. There are two things that I would like to talk about this month, a change in the Artisan's of Unser Hafen recognition and a gathering that I am holding on December 18th.

There has been some confusion about the recognition of our artisans here in Unser Hafen and the Artisans of Unser Hafen in particular. The Builder's of the Portcullis and I've gotten together and decided to revamp and restart this recognition. In order to do this, everyone must know what this is.

Artisans of Unser Hafen

In order to recognize and encourage all those good gentles that contribute to the arts and sciences in Unser Hafen there shall be a Baronial favor given known as the **Artisans of Unser Hafen**. This recognition shall be given to all gentles of Unser Hafen who have achieved these three steps:

1. Become a member of the Society for Creative Anachronism.
2. Have gathered all tools and supplies necessary for the practice of at least one craft.
3. Have completed one project of their own and on their own and displayed or entered this project in any Arts and Sciences competition or college.

This favor shall be given by the Baron or Baroness upon the meeting of all of the criteria shown above. Further, additional tokens of appreciation may be added to this favor by participating in Baronial projects as designated by the Baron or Baroness.

This favor is not an award and confers no precedence. It is simply and only a token of appreciation from the Barony to a new contributing member of the Barony of Unser Hafen.

Almost all of the current Artisans of Unser Hafen will be "grandfathered" into the new Artisans "household". If you have any questions about the requirement, please talk to me or to any Builders of the Portcullis member. The first and third requirements are easy to understand. The second may not be at first glance, but really is quite simple. A wood-worker needs woodworking tools, and copies of any needed documentation about their project. A dancer will need music, garb, and documentation of the steps to the dance. The key here is that a craftsperson need not borrow all the basic tools to produce the project. There are some obvious exceptions to the tools - sewing machines and forges can be quite expensive and not everyone can go out and get one in any case, however, metal, fabric, needles, thread, hammers and source books can be purchased for reasonable prices. Note that the requirement is for the *basic tools* of the trade - not the extravagant ones.

My second topic is what I will call the Baron's Yule gathering on December 18th starting at 10AM and running until everyone goes home. I would like everyone to drop by and play games, drink cider, munch food, and do projects. I specifically would like to invite all interested gentles and especially fighters to a discussion of the philosophy, concepts and practice of Chivalry that evening at 7PM, earlier if there is enough interest. This round-table is open to anyone who wishes to listen and comment on the idea and practice of chivalry in the SCA, in history, and in Unser Hafen. While we will discuss knighthood and fighting, remember that chivalry and the warrior path have many expressions and manifestations.

Fad saol agut,

Kevin

Officer's Reports

Unto the Populace of Unser Hafen, Rosalind of WellMark greets you.

Congratulations to The Honorable Lady Llamrei and Lord Rand the Tracker, Unser Hafen's new arts & sciences co-champions. The Spirit of the Troubadours was an entertaining and educational event with a truly magnificent feast to finish it off. Special thanks to Lady Chala, the autocrat, and Lady Madeleine and Lord Gerald for the wondrous food. And a personal thank you to all the artisans who entered this competition and allowed me to listen to their discussions...I felt like a giant sponge, just soaking up information and ideas.

The first 'gathering' has happened and I believe it went well. Even though I didn't seem to accomplish any of the things on my task list, there were many who did. It was a good day of work and play with lots of discussions and teaching. We will continue to hold these as they make sense to schedule and it fits the needs and energies of the Barony. Check the calendar for December's date.

Also, please take note that we are combining what was our populace meeting with the first dance practice of each month, with the gracious permission of The Honorable Lady Catriona and Lord Frances. This means that we will now take about 15 minutes during a break at dance practice to conduct the small amount of business that needs to happen and hold court at the Baron's whim. I hope this will end the year-long search for a populace meeting format that works. Our love of the dance will not allow a long, tedious meetings, but we will reach large numbers of people with the critical information that must be shared. (Thanks to Lady Rashiqa for the suggestion.)

My two years as Seneschal are nearly finished, and with the Baron's permission, I plan to retire in January at Dance Collegium. Unto this end, I have taken a deputy, Lady Theresa deTanzerin, whom I am recommending as my replacement. Lady Theresa was the Seneschal of Unser Hafen before we became a Barony, and she desires to serve the Barony again in this role.

In Service to His Excellency, Unser Hafen, and the Outlands,

Rosalind

Treasurer's Report

Greetings to the populace of the Barony!
The balance of our funds at officer's meeting was $1262.29.

Yours in service to the Barony and the Society,

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Greetings to the Populace of Unser Hafen -

I have been the Major Domo of the Server's Guild for nearly three years. I believe it is time for me to step down at Dance Collegium and allow new people to continue the guild. One of the benefits of the guild is that you get to work with the cooks and often get to taste the feast before anyone else does! If you are interested in this guild, please contact me at (303) 495-1317.

Yours in the Service of the SCA,

Lady Anastazia Winogrodzka

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE HERALD

Unto the populace of the Baroy of Unser Hafen. Milany Deidre sends greetings, this 13th day of November.

The heralds office has been pretty quiet of late. I have been working on a couple of devices for submission. But other than that pretty quiet.

Unto the populace of Unser Hafen, Lord Aedhan and I are looking for a deputy or deputies. Please if you are interested in this office contact either Lord Aedhan or myself.

Please if you have any questions call and if I don't know the answer I will find out.

My address is Deidre c/o Della Ravnsborg, P.O. Box 66, Wellington, CO 80549.
Phone# 568-9732.

IF YOUR SUBMISSION IS NO LONGER LISTED IN THIS REPORT, YOUR SIX MONTH "GRACE PERIOD" TO RESUBMIT AT NO COST HAS EXPIRED. THE COST FOR SUBMISSIONS IS $9.00 FOR NAMES AND $9.00 FOR DEVICES OR BADGES.

THE SUBMISSIONS OF GENTLES WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF THE BARONY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

AT LAUREL:
Hancarata Aethnen filia Cuneddae - badge
Conchobhar ua Loingseacain - name and device - amended
Gunther der Wanderer - device - amended
Lughbec ni Eoin - name and device - device amended
Robin of Bristol - name and device - device amended
Sean Ui Neill the Staff Maker - device

AT KINGDOM:
Ceindrych de Costaine - name resubmission
Clemence D'Avignon - alternate persona for Cala of Savatthi
Dún Bólacht - name and device
Mark de Saint-Saveur-le-Vicompte - name

RESUBMISSIONS:
Cala of Savatthi - device

NEW SUBMISSIONS:
No new submissions.

Thus ends my report,
In service to His Excellency,

Diedre

Unto the gentle populace of Unser Hafen Come greetings from the Knight Marshal

We now have a new Earl Marshal for the Outlands. His name is Syr Hakon af Jorvik. In his letter of introduction he mentioned some information which is important to anyone who wants to participate in heavy or light weapons fighting. For clarity I will quote a section of his letter;

"Concerning the new waiver system due to start January 1st 1994: No one can fight without having filled out a new membership waiver and sending it to the office of the Registry.

This can be proved by the following means:

1: Having the new replacement membership card.

2: Having a photocopy of the completed waiver that has been sent to the registry.

You must have one of these two items or you cannot participate in any way shape or form of SCA combat related activities, be you Lord or Duke. NO EXCEPTIONS-NONE. I will deal firmly with any transgressions.

You will still need your authorization card to participate and it will still be good for up to two years.

Newbies will be allowed to fight at their initial fighter practice so long as they complete a fighter waiver for at that time to be kept by you." (Meaning the KM of the group)

Fairly harsh words, but that is the decision of the B.O.D. We are lucky here in the Outlands to have a pretty reasonable populace. To date I know of no mundane legal cases brought against our members concerning their SCA conduct. That does not mean that it won't happen. This is the very reason for our constant vigilance on armor inspections. While a you may feel comfortable with your armor not meeting SCA minimums, if we make an exception for one person, we must make exceptions for everyone. These rules are to provide protection mainly for yourself, but also to others. It is quite possible that a fighter who is injured by inadequate armor may sue the SCA or the participant who struck the blow. While they very unlikely to win a court case (after all they knew what they were getting into!) it would be very expensive for everyone involved. So next time the list mistress asks for your authorization card, or a marshal asks to do an armor inspection, don't groan and whine, just thank them for doing their job.

By the way, if you have not had the pleasure of meeting Syr Hakon, in his letter he states that he will be traveling to our "area within the next the next 6 months to talk, train, and review marshaling in general." I have always found him to be an honorable gentleman, and powerful fighter.

To simplify the new waiver procedure, I will bring copies to the next few practices, collect them and then send them en-masse to the registry after making photo copies of them. This should save a lot of excuses, time, and money.

Enjoy life and remember, "Never stop fighting!"

Tyman

Tuman

Unser Hafen Cook's Guild

Anyone interested in establishing an Unser Hafen Cook's Guild please contact

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Vnto the good gentles of Vnser Hafen, greetings!

As many of us are slowly moving beyond the basics of fencing, an interest in off-hand weapons has developed. Now that I've been through the process of making a buckler and a scabbard, I thought I'd describe what materials you need to make these instruments of destruction. They really are quite simple and require only a couple of dollars and some minimal time and energy.

Buckler:

1 sq. foot piece of 1/4 in. plywood
a 36 in. strap of leather or a 15 sq. in. piece of fabric/leather
a drawer handle
30-40 upholstery tacks
foam weather stripping

total cost < $10

Cut out a circle of wood no greater than 12 in. in diameter. Attach the foam stripping to the edge of the buckler. Since foam weather stripping is open cell foam and can compact a lot, I suggest running it around the buckler edge 2-3 times. If you are covering the entire buckler in cloth/leather:

Center the drawer handle on the back of the buckler, and screw it into place. Cut out a circle of fabric/leather 15 in. in diameter. Center the fabric on the front of the buckler. Wrap the edges around to the back of the buckler and tack into place using upholstery tacks. The fabric can be painted with standard fabric paints if you want a design on your buckler.

If you are only running a strap of leather around the edge:

Paint the wood with your favorite color/design. Center the strap of leather on the buckler edge. Wrap the leather onto the front and back of the buckler and glue into place. To avoid puckers, cut out small wedges of leather as needed. After everything is glued into place (hot glue or rubber cement work best), tack the leather down with the upholstery tacks. Center the drawer handle on the back of the buckler, and screw it into place.

Scabbard:

up to 36 in. of 3/4 in. diameter PVC pipe
cap for end of pipe
4 in. of fabric (width must be 2-3 longer than length of pipe)

total cost < $5

Attach cap to one end of pipe with hot glue or rubber cement. Sew up fabric to create a tube. Sew up one end of the tube. Turn tube right side out and slip onto PVC pipe. Pull fabric so that it is tight and sew new seam along that line by hand. Push open end of tube down inside open end of scabbard and secure with glue.

So, now that you know how to make off-hand weapons, laissez-allez!

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Rashīqa

11/15/93

Greetings unto the populace of Unser Hafen from Lady Chala, Minister of Arts & Sciences:

First, I would like to thank all of you who helped make the Arts and Sciences event a success. Without people to help with the basic functions of cooking, cleaning, and trolling, events of this nature would not be possible. We had over fifty people in attendance, and a respectable number of artisans participating. Congratulations to our new baronial champions, the Honorable Lady Llamrei and Lord Rand the Tracker.

Thanks also to those of you who have finished your banners. If you still have not finished your banners, or wish to supply your own materials and participate, we would like to have them all done by Dance Collegium. THERE WILL BE A PRIZE at this event for the best "Wall Hanging" according to Lady Theresa (to include not only banners, but other types of wall hangings)

Lady Madeleine and I have planned and organized some basic calligraphy kits. I have a limited number of these kits, to be given to interested parties for a minimum $6.00 donation. (It is worth about $10.00). You must have at least one lesson with a baronial scribe in order to purchase these kits. Contact me if you're interested!

The list of winners for the Arts and Sciences event are as follows: (no winners published for single entry categories)

I. Scribal Arts: Sir Mark von den Falkensfen (Windkeep)
- -Calligraphy -n/a
- -Illumination -Sir Mark
- -Drawing/Painting -n/a

II. Performance Arts: Rashiqa
- -Drama/Storytelling (3 way tie)-Sean Ui Neil
- -Rashiqa
- -Branwnyn Ottersby (Caer Galen)
- -Vocal/Instrumental music -Llamrei
- -Ethnic Dance & Court Dance -n/a

III. Visual Arts, General (Conbined with Functional Arts)

IV. Fiber Arts, General: Llamrei
- -Costuming -Robin of Bristol
- -Weaving -Elszebet Vorosvari
- -Lacemaking -n/a
- -Needlework -Llamrei

V. Culinary Arts: Rashiqa
- -Bread & Brewing -n/a
- -Sweets -Rashiqa
- -Other Foods -Drahomira

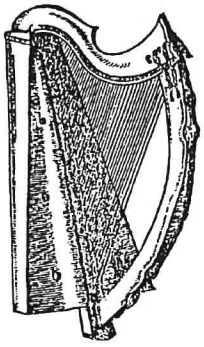
VI. Functional Arts, General: Aileen Bardon
- -Weapons Arts -Rand the Tracker
- -Leatherwork -Rand the Tracker
- -(other categores n/a)

The overall champions were: Llamrei and Rand the TrackerThe Popular champion was : Rand the Tracker

Runners up, in descending order were: Rashiqa, Sir Mark and Zelf the Wanderer.

The Baron's Choice winner was Lady Aileen Bardon

Cala



KINGDOM AWARDS IN THE SCA

Receiving kingdom level awards is exciting for both the recipients, and those of us in the Barony who know them. If you feel that someone is deserving of an award, all you have to do is write their reigning majesties. If it's near the end of a realm, you may write the Crown Prince and Princess. That's it. No forms, no approval from higher-ups, and you don't have to have an award yourself to recommend someone for it. One reminder, however, Awards are for dues-paying members of the society. If a person is not a fully paid member they cannot receive an award. The following is a list of awards given at kingdom level which can be affected by recommendations:

AWARD OF ARMS: Please note that Award of Arms and "Grant of Arms" are different levels of awards. The Award of Arms (AOA) is generally the initial award given to someone who has proven their worth to the SCA. Entitles one to be called "Lord" or "Lady".

ORDER OF THE STAG'S HEART: Awarded for service to the kingdom. Entitles one to wear the badge of the Stag's Heart. An armigerous award (This means that it includes an AOA if the recipient doesn't already have one.)

ORDER OF THE ARGENT HART: Awarded for achievement in the Arts and Sciences. Entitles one to wear the badge of the Argent Hart. An armigerous award.

PROMISE OF THE OUTLANDS: Awarded to children under the age of 15 for general service and mannerly behavior. Conferred once per individual. Entitles one to wear the badge of the order.

STAG'S BLOOD: Awarded for the fighting arts. The insignia of the order is some rendition of the combination of a staf with either an axe or sword or both. An armigerous award.

TREFOIL - Awarded for service to a shire (i.e. those who are NOT members of a Barony.) An armigerous award.

GOLDEN PHEON - Awarded for archers who have given service to the kingdom. An armigerous award.

Awards which are generally determined by the Reigning Royalty or members of the Order in question: Cordon Rouyale, In Royale, Queen's Cypher, Queen's Grace, Grant of Arms, Venerable Guard, White Scarf (fencing), Order of the Laurel (A&S), Order of the Pelican (Service), and, of course, Barons and Baronesses. Also includes:

WALKER OF THE WAY: Awarded for conduct demonstrating the highest ideals and values of the SCA. A very special award; only one is given per reign.

You know, Archery is fun, when you get a chance to shoot, that is.

--Eques Titus

ARCHERY REPORT FOR DECEMBER

This is just a reminder to all folks interested in Archery that Unser Hafen is still having Archery Practice on Sundays At Drahomira and Tamlin's farm from 11:00 to 1:00 (weather permitting).

Each month Lord Thorfinn, Unser Hafen Warden sponsors a Wardens Whim Archery Tournament. Participation in the tourney counts for Unser Hafen Archers interested in becoming the Barony's next Warden. These tourneys are usually on the last weekend of each month. They vary from straight IKACs or Royal Rounds to clout, wand or whatever shoot Lord Thorfinn comes up with.

The third Tuesday of each month, there is an archer maintenance and gab session and Lady Rosalind and Lord Thorfinn's manor in Loveland, Colorado. The address is 3601 El Caminito. The phone number is 667-1284.

Finally, to get information or directions to any of these archery activities contact Eques Titus (Tod Huckaby) at 490-2936 or my two very, very able deputies: Lady Rosalind (Rosalind Wells) at 667-1284 or Lady Anastazia (Pat) at 484-4970.

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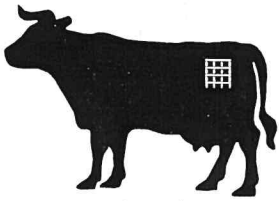

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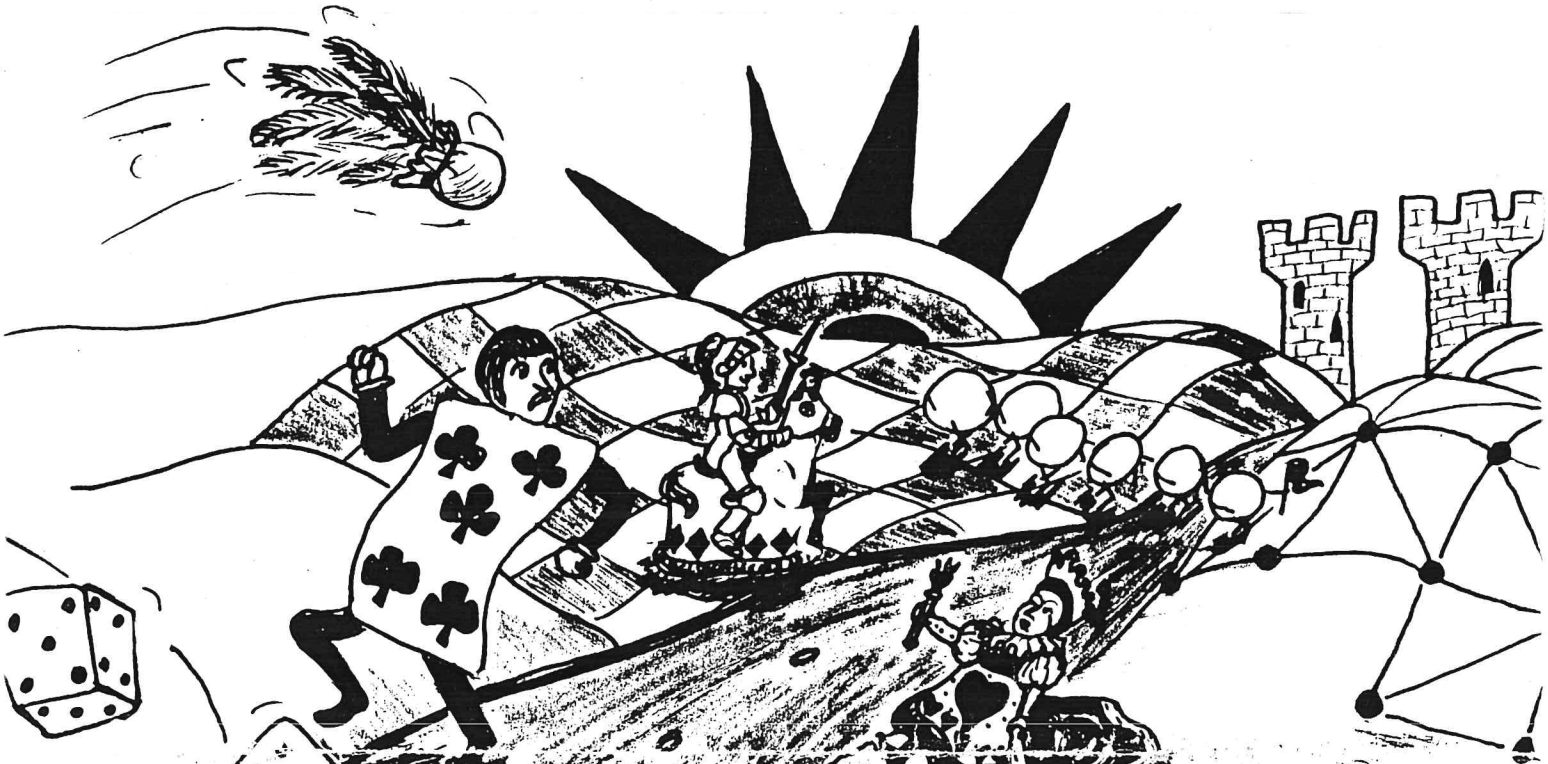

GAME
CROSSING
!
by Lughbee ní Eóin
9-93

Failte ui Cheallaigh to the Barony from Dún Bólacht . The saga of Dún Bólacht's great hero continues. Allergicus had found his place (and his cattle) among the Irish. he lived a life of noble feats. Drinking, feasting, fighting, drinking, voyaging, feuds, drinking, daring raids, cattle theft, drinking, paternity suits, small claims courts, drinking... you get the idea. Many lives of men he lived in his caer, a hero without compare, secure in his place. But change was coming to his happy life.

A new faith was coming to Ireland. It was not a faith of heroes and feasting. It was more sober minded. It was brought by Englishmen, (who brought a lot of dull things to Ireland). More specifically it was brought by Calpurnius Patricus, later to be known as Saint Patrick. Patricus was not exactly a dour individual, but to Allergicus anyone to the right of Hugh Hefner was a killjoy. He looked white haired, stiff, and cold to Allergicus, as though he were waiting for an opening in the Trinity. Nonetheless, he and his Christian faith made great inroads among the Irish, changing their culture profoundly. These changes took Allergicus unawares. Patricus came to discuss these differences and took a swift dislike to Allergicus.

Allergicus was celebrating Beltaine, the first day of Spring, with special vigor when Patrick came to complain about the noise. Allergicus met him at the door. Patrick greeted him, "Good evening, are you the host?" "No," Allergicus replied. Patrick said, "We're here to complain about this party." "About the carousing?" asked Allergicus. "No," said Patrick. "About the fighting then? Is somebody complaining about the fighting?" asked Allergicus. "No," replied Patrick, "it's the noise." "Oh, the noise! Well that makes sense because there is no carousing or fighting here," said Allergicus. An enormous crash sounded at the back of the house collapsed in flames. "Or fire!" he added. "So the neighbors are complaining about the noise?" "No," Patrick replied, "the neighbors fled inland hours ago. The complaints are coming from Scotland. Could you try to quiet things down?" "No problem!" said Allergicus. At this moment a chariot charged through the hall and out the door, where it smashed into a tree. Horses kicked and screamed. A half dozen blue-painted, naked men tumbled to the ground, moaning. "See? It's winding down already!" exclaimed Allergicus. The conversation went downhill quite rapidly after this...

Tried beyond the limits of his patience, Patrick gathered all the armies in the local kingdoms and forcibly evicted Allergicus from the island. Afterwards he sat down to write reports about the success of the Christian faith in Ireland. As an afterthought, he added that he had "gotten rid of that ass and his servants." Then he sent the scroll on its way to the bishop of Rome. It was a long, and rather wet voyage. the ink became somewhat blurry. The church in Rome interpreted the last phrase as "gotten rid of the asp and the serpents." So Saint Patrick was credited with driving the snakes out of Ireland.

As for our noble founder, Allergicus Udderus, pivotal in yet another turning point of Irish history, there are other tales to be told. But for now we bid you God speed, the wind at your back, and a herd o' your neighbor's cattle before you.

Τιμον Φοχασ
Timon Phocas

Dún Bólacht News - Report form the Udder Cow Herds

This month has been incredibly busy with classes in dance, fighting, heraldry, fencing, personna research and period gaming. We're becoming first rate gamers and would love to learn new ones (hint, beg.....). We also did a demo for UNC for their Snowball in Camelot dance. We taught two dances and demonstrated heavy weapons fighting. Our thanks to all that have assisted in our demos, especially Lord Tuman who stayed a whole day with me talking every hour to Junior High Students. Huzzah!

Our greatest admiration goes to our own Master Garwed Cadburiensus who received the Builders of the Portcullis Award at the Arts and Sciences Competition. Well deserved and we all point with pride to his great works.

On that highlight we end this glowing report from Unser Hafen's fortress of cattle.

In service to the dream,

Lvzhbec ni Eoin

hunter's feast v

December 4

The Shire of Windkeep again bids all who would to join with them in celebrating Hunters Feast V. It will be held on December 4, 1993 at the Community Center in Lions Park, in Cheyenne Wyoming (please see map) and will feature the bounties of the land as the menu. The site will open at noon and close at midnight. A leisurely afternoon of dance and tales of the hunt (bring your best tall tale, or tail) will be the order of the day, with the feast beginning at about 6:00 pm. Please bring your banners to adorn the hall, and wear your best hunting garb. There will be an A&S display of hunting things, if enough gentles wish to participate. Lord Henry will teach bowstring making during the afternoon, and they may be working on making ash bows. If nature cooperates, there may be hunting games in Lions Park. There may also be indoor theme relate games if desired. There will be a bardic competition held during the feast. If you wish to participate in the competition, please sign in at the troll table, so that we may place you appropriately between courses. Lady Aldith will be assembling the feast, and it promises to be memorable. The tentative menu will be: Fowley noodles at the lunch buffet.

Evening Samplings

Breads and spreads, fish pudding, fruiting meatballs
Skewered meats, vegetables, and fruits
Pumpkin soup, vegetable stew, game stew
Orange birds, heaven and earth, leek soup

Diverse desserts of Mousse, Cherry Nuts, and Butter, Staghorns Anyone with food allergies or concerns please contact Lady Aldith **(especially if you are a vegetarian!)** Cost at the door is $10.00, ($7.50 if your have proof of membership) per person with children half price. There is a **special rate** available for families, contact Lady Aldith. Also, anyone volunteering to help serve, or clean up will have their fee adjusted. **Please note! There are only 100 reservations available for the feast. The earlier you reserve, the better.** Please contact Lady Aldith after November 25 to see if there are any reservations to be had, or to put yourself on the waiting list.

The site is discreetly wet, and animals are not allowed. We all look forward to sharing the bounties of the season with you.

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Lord Rhys Afalwin
Larry Hammons
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Cheyenne, WY 82009
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Food Coordinator
Lady Aldith o Baddon Poeth
Deborah Hammons
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Cheyenne, WY 82009
(307) 632-1133

Caer Galen Midwinter

December 11

Attila the Hun Tours Europe!

In the mid 5th Century a neighborhood thug named Attila got bored with his home turf in Pannonia and decided to take a scenic tour of late Roman Europe. He spent a fine Spring in north eastern France, the returned home for the Winter. His jaunt the following Summer took him through northern Italy to Rome.

The Shire of Caer Galen will present and evening feast commemorating the culinary aspects of these tours on Saturday, December 11, 1993 at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Boulder, 50001 Pennsylvania St., Boulder. Lady Marge Tylluan Fach (303-5466223) and Lord Galen MacMorn will once again cook a fine feast with m'lord Pietro d'Arezzo assisting with presentation.

Schedule and Activities:

The site opens at 3:00 pm for gathering, gaming, and what-have-you. Lady **Francesca** will teach dancing during the afternoon, and will lead open dancing after the feast. During this time members of the Caer Galen populace will cast ballots for the harp **of** Caer Galen Award recipient. The feast will be at 6:00 pm, followed by a Non-Court Experience for the 9th annual Harp of Caer Galen award presentation. Cooperative childcare and a children's table are tentatively planned.

Menu

Saddle Fare

Sausage, Herbed Yoghurt, Cheese, Dried Fruit, Nuts, Oat Bread

The Fruits of Pillage

Meats, Barley Pilaf with Mushrooms, Leafy Salad with Oil and Vinegar, Oat Bread

Dessert

Baked Fruits in Crust, Pinenut Cake, Fruit Cake

Reservations and Fees:

Site and Feast for adults: $12.00 members, $14.00 non-members after mid-November. There is a limit (if 75 people for the feast. Call the Autocrat to inquire about late reservations (Bribes Useful)!

Site fee only: $3.00. There will be a limited amount of off board seating. Children ten years and tinder are free, when accompanied by a paying adult. Please list children when sending adult registrations. This is a Damp Site: Homebrew, Wine, and Beer may be consumed in moderate amounts in discrete containers.

Checks Payable to: SCA-Caer Galen, **Send reservations to the Autocrat:**

Mistress Elizabeth Freemountain c/o D. Elizabeth Robinson

3185 Folsom, Boulder, Co 80304

Home-(303) 442-3421 / Work- (303) 443-3350

Include your SCA name and local group name on the check.

Directions from the East (Denver)

Take US 36 "Turnpike" into Boulder. Take the Table Mesa Exit, bearing left onto the Foothills Parkway. ***Turn right onto Baseline at the first light. Drive approx. 1/2 mile to 55th St. and turn left. Drive approx. 1/4 mile to Pennsylvania Ave. and turn left. Drive approx. 4 blocks. The Unitarian Church will be to your right.

Directions from the South (Golden and Jeffco Fairgrounds)

Take Colo. 93 out of Golden north to Boulder. Colo. 93 **turns** into Broadway. Turn right off of Broad way onto Table Mesa Dr. Turn right off of Table Mesa onto the Northbound Foothills Parkway. Follow the above directions from *** to church.

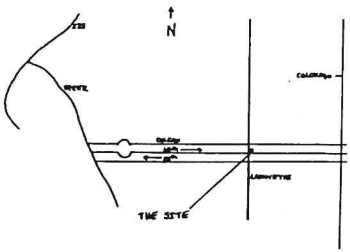
Directions from the Longmont Diagonal (Longmont and Fort Collins)

Take the Longmont Diagonal to Boulder. Bear left on the overpass to get onto the Southbound Foothills Parkway. Proceed until Arapahoe Ave. Turn left onto Arapahoe. Drive approx. I mile until 55th St. Turn right. Drive approx. 3/4 mile to Pennsylvania Ave. **turn** right and drive approx. 4 blocks. The church will be on your right.

Baronial Yule Celebration & Pot Luck

You are cordially invited to this years Yule celebration on December 10th, at 6:00 PM, to be held at the First Unitarian Church, 1400 Laffayette St. in Denver. Wear your festive garb, bring games, songs, and food! The site fee will be $3.00, with $1.00 off for anyone who brings a dish to feed six or more people. Please make an ingredient list to place by your dish, especially if the dish contains alcohol. We will not have use of the kitchen, but there are electrical outlets if needed. This is a WET site so bring whatever you would like to celebrate the holiday's.

Autocrats
Lady Taryn Brannick
Lord Tule of Tehri
3142 W. 265th St. #1
Denver, CO 80211
(303) 458-8754



University of Caerthe

Because of the mundane holiday known as Thanksgiving, we will not meet in November. Our next University will be held on the afternoon of the first Saturday in December. Mistress Kyriel will talk to us about "How To Write Period Poetry Without Committing Plagiarism". If you have written any poetry in Period style, please bring it. If you subscribe to Creative Anachronist, bring issue #67, Ars Poetica Societatis, along.

We will meet December 4, 2:00 P.M., at Windhover Cliff, the home of Mistress Kyriel. Maps showing how to get to Windhover Cliff were printed on page 22 of the August issue of the Fortress. All are encouraged to attend. Period garb is optional, but appreciated. For further information, call Lady Amelia von Altburg, 750-0180, or Master Robin Vinehall, 444-5004. If you are unable to find a map, call Mistress Kyriel, 530-1037, for directions.

We will end early enough that people can get home before dark. Carpooling is encouraged.

BLACKSMITHING GUILD

The Blacksmithing Guild is having regular open smithing once each month, usually on the second Saturday. This month we will be meeting along with the "Meeting of the Guilds" (see elsewhere in the Tosspot). Please inquire if directions are needed.

Meetings will begin at 9:30 and end when we are tired. Instruction is available. Bring safety goggles, gloves, and old clothes (mundane work clothes recommended unless you have suitable garb).

No level of skill is needed, just some enthusiasm!

Please call if you would also like to smith at another time.

Tamlene ap Guidgen, Guildmaster	663-1513
Thorfinn Greybeard	667-1284
Master Garwed Cadburiensis	353-8456

Caerthen 12th Night

January 8, 1994

Caerthe invites you to celebrate 12th Night in Russian opulence, January 8, 1994 at Adams County Fairgrounds, 9755 Henderson Road, Brighton, in the Waymire Building. The site opens at 9:00 a.m. and closes at 12:00 a.m. with cleanup starting at 11:00 p.m. This site is **BONE DRY!!!** Nothing may be nailed or tacked onto the walls. Banners will be hung on standing poles made by the Caerthen Engineer's Guild.

There will be contests (and prizes) for the best female, male, child and group costume efforts as well as for the most spectacular table setting and best amber display. There will also be a contest for the tastiest non-alcoholic beverage (must include a recipe card). Mistress Morrigan is giving a prize for the best, mostly black costume. Classes include Russian Embroidery, Russian Illumination, Tassel making, Basic Russian Language, Tea Tasting, Needlepoint Trim and Russian Music. The class schedule will be available the day of the event.

There will be children's activities and a video room for fighters to view past fighting events. Each parent with a child participating in the children's activities will be asked to donate one hour of time. There will be a sign-in sheet at the troll booth.

Site Fee: $3.00/$4.00 non-members
$12.00/$13.00 non-members until December 1, 1993
$14.00/$15.00 non members until December 20, 1993
Ages 0-5: Free Ages 6-13 1/2 price

Servers 1/2 price. Please let us know of dietary restrictions. Off board seating is available. We will need volunteers for clean up, troll and serving, please contact the autocrat.

Menu:
On Table: Breads, Butters, Garlic Cheese Spread
Appetizer: Beef Pirogi, Mushroom Caviar
1st Course: Braised Chicken with Dried Fruit, Noodles
Palate Cleanser: Orange Cinnamon
2nd Course: Onion Stuffed Beef, Marinated Mushrooms
Palate Cleanser: Lemon Mint
3rd Course: Salmon Steak, Rice
Desert: Honey Cake and Lemon Tart

Winter Keep has graciously agreed to provide a hearty lunch to include, stews of the four winds, bread and butter and FABULOUS desserts for a fee of $3.00. You must let us know either by phone or other means by December 20th if you will be having lunch with us and you may pay at the door. There are stores and eateries within a few miles but nothing right by the site.

Merchants will be required to have a tax license and sell SCA type merchandise. There will be a $5.00 space rental fee per table with a maximum of two tables per merchant. Space is limited so call early for a reservation.

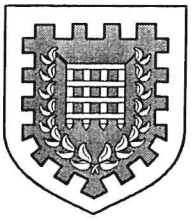
Please send all reservations to the autocrat and make checks payable to SCA-Caerthe.

Autocrat: Lady Krystyna de Chanceaux
3061 W. 92nd Ave., 8B
Westminster, CO 80030
(303) 427-8449

Feast: Lord Hespero &
Lady Meghan

Directions to Caerthen 12th Night: Take your best route to 1-25 and 104th Street in Denver, Colorado. Take the exit at 104th. Turn east (right -- away from the mountains) onto 104th. Drive east past Washington St. and Colorado Blvd. After Colorado, turn north (left) on Riverdale Road. Wind north on Riverdale. Turn east (right -- the only way to turn)- onto 124th/Henderson. The Fairgrounds will be to the north (your left), just past the Adams County Historical Museum. Turn left into the entrance.

Once you enter the Fairgrounds, stay to the right. Look for a large round building (Waymire Building - Dome Room) to the left of the entrance road. Park in the lot in front of that building.



Unser Hafen Dance Collegium and Ball V January 29, 1994

We're Five this year!! Dancing and Contests abound! Ile Barony of Unser Hafen is well pleased to announce the Fifth Unser Hafen Dance Collegium and Ball, **January 29, 1994**. This year's event is to be held at the McMillen Building of the Larimer County Fairgrounds in Loveland, Colorado. The Collegium will be held during the day and feature classes on both Western and Eastern Medieval dance forms. The dances learned will be danced that night at the Ball. Live music is to be performed for the dances, as usual.

Classes will begin promptly at 1:00 pm! No SCA time as we have so much to do! The Hall will open at 12:00 noon. Here is the tentative schedule for the Classes:

Class 1 1:00-2:00

WESTERN

Brasle Suite with Brasle Charlotte
Queen's Alman
THL Catriona and Lord Francis, Instructors

EASTERN

A basic introduction to middle eastern dance Lady Vivian, Instructor

Class II 2:00-3:00 {Middle Eastern 2:00-3:30}

WESTERN

Fine Companion
Sir Rodger de Coverly
THL Catriona and Lord Francis, Instructors

EASTERN

Intermediate middle eastern dance
Lady Rashiqa, Instructor

Class III 3:00-4:00 {Middle Eastern 3:30-6:00}

WESTERN

Rumelai
Espunyolet
Lord Francis and THL Catriona, Instructor

EASTERN

Preparing a middle eastern performance
Lady Chala, Instructor

Class IV 4:00-5:00 {Western only}

Teddy Bear's Picnic
Female Saylor
THL Catriona and Lord Francis, Instructors

Remember all musicians are welcome! Music by mail or on site available! TO CELEBRATE OUR FIFTH ANNIVERSARY, there will be a wide variety of Arts and Sciences activities and a culinary contest, including:

I. **POPULATING THE PORTCULLIS CONTEST:** It has been decided that dessert for the Ball will be a Subtlety of our beloved Portcullis and the castle it protects. Everyone coming needs to bring an edible copy (Gingerbread, Marzipan, or whatever) of yourself or a friend to occupy our castle! A delicious dessert and a prize!

II. **WALLHANGING/BANNER CONTEST:** The Hall is much larger this year to help it look even better Lady Terri Hadeel is sponsoring this contest that features a prize for Wall Hangings/Banners!

FEAST INFORMATION: There will be a feast served by the Inn of the Madwoman on Saturday night immediately after classes and the Processional. **The cost is $7.00 if received by 12/15/93 or $8.00 if received prior to the event, and $9.00 the day of the event** The feast is limited to around 100 gentles (plus or minus).

The site fee is the same as last year, **$3.00**. This is a dry site. Make checks payable to SCA-Unser Hafen. Some crash space available.

Send Reservations to: Eques Titus Claudius Severus
c/o Tod Huckaby 420 South Impala Fort Collins, Co 80521 Phone: (303) 490-2936

This artwork by Melisende Barlais d'Outremer was received back in February during the cover art contest. It had not been forgotten, but been awaiting a suitable time and suitable space in the Tosspot to be the subject of a contest of its own. The person who comes up with the best caption for this drawing will get a one year subscription to the Tosspot. I (Robin) will be choosing a judge to make the decision. When a suitable caption has been chosen, it and this art will appear on the Tosspot's cover. The deadline for caption is at Unser Hafen's fifth Dance Collegium on January 29, 1994. Good luck.

DANCE COLLEGIUM ANNOUNCEMENT!!!!!!!

DANCE COLLEGIUM ANNOUNCEMENT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

OYEZ, OYEZ, ALL LOVERS OF CULINARY DELICACIES OF THE DESSERT KIND!

KNOW THAT IN HONOR OF THE Vth Dance Collegium and Ball to be held on January 29, 1994 in the Fair Barony of Unser Hafen, there will be a magnificent Subtlety depicting the strong, high, ramparts of our glorious Barony protected by our impenetrable Portcullis,

IT IS CLEAR THAT SUCH A MAGNIFICENT PIECE OF CULINARY ARCHITECTURE WOULD BE INCOMPLETE without denizens and friends of Unser Hafen to populate this pastry-nomical construction,

THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN THAT THROUGHOUT THE OUTLANDS THAT THERE BE A CALL TO ALL GENTLES ATTENDING THE DANCE COLLEGIUM AND BALL, THAT UNSER HAFEN SEEKS OCCUPANTS FOR THIS FANTASTICAL, INCREDIBLE, CONSUMABLE FORTRESS OF CAKE- SO,

PREPARE AN EDIBLE COPY OF YOURSELF AND/OR A FRIEND(s) TO POPULATE OUR FARE CASTLE AND ITS IMPREGNABLE (and edible) PORTCULLIS!!

THE NOBLE AND CONSUMABLE GENTLES SHOULD BE MADE OF GINGERBREAD, MARZIPAN, OR WHATEVER TICKLES YOUR CULINARY FANCY, THEY SHOULD BE ABOUT 6" TALL AND BE EDIBLE.

FINAL NOTE: ENTRIES OF ALL KINDS ARE ENCOURAGED, IN ESSENCE YOU ARE HELPING WITH DESSERT. THERE WILL BE PRIZES AWARDED!!!!

ATTENTION MUSICIANS OF THE OUTLANDS

As done with Dance Collegiums and Balls in the past, there will be live music performed at the Dance College for the populace to Dance to. All musicians are welcome to attend. If you can read music and want to play, you are welcome.
Copies of the music for the dances are also available to be sent to you so you may practice in advance. The Dance Collegium and Ball will be held on January 29, 1994 in Loveland Colorado (see ad in this newsletter). Please Contact the autocrat, Eques Titus Claudius Severus at:

c/o Tod Huckaby
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Medieval Society of CSU

Society Officers

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Robin of Bristol
(Mark E. Breuer)
Phone: 493-2367

Treasurer
Januka
(Pan Pace)
Phone: 495-1089

Upcoming Events

Regular Monthly Meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm

December 8	166 Lory Student Center
January	Christmas Break - no meeting
February 9	227 Lory Student Center
March 9	227 Lory Student Center
April 13	180 Lory Student Center
May 10	180 Lory Student Center

La Belle

This is for you,
Whose eyes are like amber,
burnt dark and deep
with the lustre that is only
sung in ballads of eternal beauty.

This is for you,
Whose smile defeats all
the sun and moon and stars together
could create, and could light
even the darkest night.

This is for you,
Whose tresses flow in golden splendor,
and mock the gold that man foolishly hordes,
for those waves of crowning glory
are more precious than all the gold
the world can hold.

This is for you,
Whose beauty is more
than just what is seen, and whose beauty
flows from the deepest part
of her soul and heart.

This is for you,
And yet it is but feeble.
But for now,
and forever,
what here my pen has lost,
my heart will keep, and pay the cost.

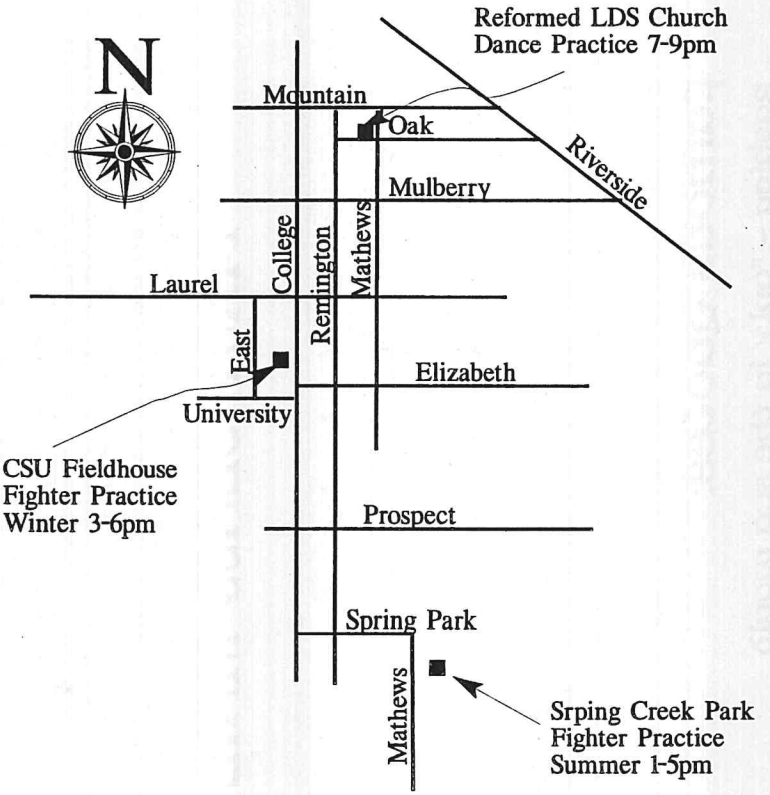
**Endymion

Unser Haken Regular Events

Fighter Practice has moved indoors for the winter to the CSU Fieldhouse. The cost of the site has doubled so donations to cover the costs are appreciated. Also we only have the site from 3pm to 6pm on Sundays. We have to be **COMPLETELY** out by 6:00pm exactly, not SCA time. This includes all people, armor, and other miscallaneous stuff.

Dance Practice has changed format starting in November. Only the first half hour (7-7:30) will be spent on teaching basic dance steps and running through the dances to be learned. Request dances will have no formal instruction. We are limited to the gym, the large tiled room, the kitchen, and the bathrooms. All other portions of the building are off limits.

Archery Practice has change times to 12-2pm on Sundays. The site is the same, so if the weather looks questionable call Titus. Call him if you need directions as well.



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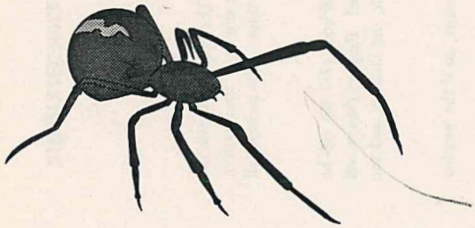

famous quotes:

rashiqa – "only in the sca would you see someone take a hammer to their own knee